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▼SERVICE TRIPS— Service Trip applications for Winter Term Break are due this Friday and can be picked up in the Student Life or Chapel offices. Trip destinations include Louisville, Ky.; New York, N.Y.; Rock Point, Ariz.; Denver, Colo.; and East St. Louis, Mo.

▼ARTIST SERIES— Epic Brass, a quintet from Boston, will perform at the Artist Series Sat., Nov. 23 at 8 p.m. in Neumann Auditorium. Tickets, which are free with a student I.D., are available at the Information Desk between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Epic Brass features a repertoire of Renaissance music, 20th century compositions and Dixieland jazz.

▼HUNGER MEAL—Kappa Delta Pi, Habitat for Humanity, Campus Ministry Board and WASE are helping to sponsor a hunger meal this Friday from 6:15 to 8:30 p.m. in the Chapel commons that focuses on poverty issues in the United States. Students can transfer their cafeteria meals to participate. Students interested in helping with set-up or "acting" can contact Leta Arndt or Sara Lipker.

▼ST. ELIZABETH'S FEST— Activities for St. Elizabeth's Fest begin today and include a three-day clothing drive, a service fair Tuesday, a Leadership Issues Dinner Wednesday, a blood drive and concert by "Watermark" Thursday.

Mono strikes stressed students

by Heather Hugley
Staff Writer

Not only can mounds of homework ruin your social life, it can hurt your health as well.

Freshman Jaime Plueger is one student who currently has mononucleosis (mono) on the Wartburg campus.

Randi Ellefson, director of health services, said approximately seven students have mono at Wartburg right now. One student is at home, one is in a Manchester hospital and the rest are recovering in their rooms.

Plueger said she felt rundown, stressed out and very tired for a while, and that is how she probably developed mono.

"It's a long haul (to get better)," Plueger said.

She said she felt very weak and had no appetite when she first came down with the illness.

Plueger is trying to get over mono by resting and avoiding taxing exercise.

Many mono cases have been linked to stress, Ellefson said, because students get worn down and have no time to take care of themselves.

Sophomore Jaime Hamann said she had mono last year around the time of finals. She said her immune system was knocked down, which made her more susceptible to colds and the flu.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

ALL STRESSED OUT—Junior Jim Holmes, who recently weathered a bout of mononucleosis, recuperates in his bed. Many Wartburg students are battling this illness right now.

Hamann has had mono twice, once in high school and once in college. She said the last time her energy level did not reach normal status for almost a year.

"It takes a really long time for your body to recover and to get feeling back to normal," Hamann said.

Ellefson said many students contract mono before or after major school breaks, because studying for finals or getting ready to go home can increase stress levels and make students more susceptible to illnesses. She said sometimes students return to campus with mono or some other disease they picked up at home.

Ellefson said she doesn't know exactly how many students have the disease right now because most students sent to Waverly's Rohlf Clinic do not report back to the Health and Wellness Center.

The common symptoms of mono are fever, sore throat, swollen glands and weariness, according to the New York State Department

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Facts about mono:

- Mono is commonly referred to the "kissing disease" because it is spread through saliva.
- People with mono can still pass on the virus long after the illness is over. Typically the virus is present in the saliva for about 30-45 days.
- Antibiotics are not useful in treating viral diseases like mono. People with mono might want to avoid both aspirin and ibuprofen because both reduce the blood's ability to clot.
- Get adequate rest and take precautions to strenuous activity, since this may cause a ruptured spleen.
- Do not drink alcohol while ill and for about a month afterwards.
- About one-third of college students who have mono have mild cases of the illness. Others are bedridden for a couple weeks.
- With the help of proper rest, eating well and taking good overall care of the body, a person with mono overcomes the illness faster.
- Fatigue should not let a person become bedridden. It will only make the body weaker and more tired.
- Students who suspect they have the symptoms of mono are encouraged to go to the Health and Wellness Center.
- To steer clear of mono, don't use others' cups or utensils and avoid others' saliva.

Information provided by "So You've Got Mono," a brochure available in the Health and Wellness Center.

KWAR to rock non-stop

by Josh Keesy
Staff Writer

Get ready. They're preparing for domination of the air waves.

Beginning midnight Wednesday, the second annual 89.1 Hour Marathon will flood listeners with prizes, game shows, a live polka band, a dance, basketball games, an on-air tattooing and a pantsless deejay.

What started last year as a way for KWAR to increase campus support, looks to build on that success this year.

Featured in the 89.1 hours are some of KWAR's shows, including Johnny B., Crazy Dave, BYOB and a commentary from Grant Price. There will also be a countdown of the top 89 songs played on the station.

Others special features in the marathon include a '70s and '80s dance sponsored by The Lair and the broadcast of the first men's and women's basketball games for the 1996 season.

Last year's popular Trivial Pursuit challenge is returning this year, with reigning Trivial Pursuit champions Fireside Chat taking on Radio Active. This year's losing team has to call their show Bitter Coffee — last year's losing team — for the remainder of the term.

The 89.1 Hour Marathon will also feature hundreds of prizes, including travel mugs, toothbrushes, T-shirts, Den gift certificates, OP pizza certificates, dinner for four at the Asian Gardens and much more.

The grand prize is once again the first housing pick for the 1997-98 school year.

"It is college radio in its finest," said station manager Paul Yeager. "My staff has been working really hard on getting this thing together and I love seeing it happen along with hearing the buzz around campus."

"It provides us with a way to show off our hard work," said Scott Harves, KWAR sports director.

Harves said the marathon's success will all depend on the listeners.

The 89.1 Hour Marathon starts Wednesday at 10 p.m. with a pre-marathon party hosted by Fireside Chat.

The marathon will kick into gear at midnight and continue until Sunday at 5:06 p.m.

Photo by Heather Simpson

THE EAGLE DANCE—Native American dancers performed the eagle dance Sunday in Legends as part of November's Native American Month. The five dancers belong to a Sioux tribe from South Dakota and presented a program of traditional Native American dances. The event was co-sponsored by Student Diversity programs and Campus Activities Board's cultural education committee. The dancers were all relatives, and performed six dances, including the eagle dance, the hoop dance, the grass dance and the ribbon dance.

Wartburg graduate tackles business world

Annette Everding
Staff Writer

Although last Tuesday's convocation pointed out several of Generation X's unflattering traits, X-er Eric Grube is not a man bound by stereotypes.

A 1990 Wartburg graduate, 28-year-old Grube shook off the slacker aura surrounding his peers, opened his own business and now uses it to lend a hand to current Wartburg students.

Grube was a member of the six-person panel that met after speaker Bruce Tulgan's convocation Tuesday to talk about how Generation X-ers can rid themselves of their generational stereotypes and make it in corporate America.

Eric Grube

Grube was an accounting major who became a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and then left the corporate world to open his own business because he was frustrated with his accounting career.

Grube bought an ice cream shop two blocks from his home in the Minneapolis/St. Paul area on Dec. 31, 1993 and decided to expand it. His shop — Nokomis Cup, named for Lake Nokomis — now sells ice cream, coffee, deli food, soup, pastries, fresh bread and beverages.

According to Grube, his shop serves a variety of people, including those who use the lake located one block from his shop.

Grube said his shop is meant to have a relaxing atmosphere, a place where people can go to get away and have conversation not only with him, but with other customers as well.

Grube is not using his business to benefit only himself, he is also using it to benefit others. Every summer since starting the business, he offers a summer job to a Wartburg student. In return for working for him, they live with Grube and his wife and get to enjoy life in a big city.

"This is a unique opportunity for a second- or third-year business student to see how a small business runs and to work in retail," Grube said.

So far three students have worked at Nokomis, but only one was a business major; the others were education majors.

According to Grube, their majors didn't matter because it's good experience for every student to work in a small business atmosphere.

Sophomore Jennifer Cox, one of the three students, said she took the job because she was looking for a summer job and it sounded like fun, even though she isn't a business major.

"I learned a lot about what goes into running a small business and what it takes to keep it going," Cox said.

Business operations weren't the only thing Cox learned while working at Nokomis.

Cox said she learned that to be happy with a job, workers must enjoy it and like who they are working with.

"This is a unique opportunity for a second- or third-year business student to see how a small business runs and to work in retail."

—Eric Grube
1990 Wartburg graduate

"Eric is a really fun guy and he is not into getting financial gain. Instead he has his own business because he enjoys it and likes the people so much," Cox said.

His advice for other X-ers, he said, is to understand themselves, do the things they enjoy and find an occupation that uses their strengths.

"I was lucky to have had the opportunity to do this. I guess I was just in the right place at the right time," said Grube.

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of Health. Sometimes the liver and spleen are affected, but the disease is rarely fatal. Most symptoms appear four to six weeks after exposure to the Epstein-Barr virus (EBV), which causes mono.

The New York State Department of Health said the transmission of EBV requires contact with saliva from the infected person, through kissing or other physical exposure. Most cases of mono, also called the "kissing disease," occur sporadically and outbreaks are rare.

According to Ellefson, mono is very contagious from one person to another and can be avoided by general hygiene, such as frequent hand-washing.

One way to avoid contracting mono is by avoiding activities involving the transfer of body fluids with someone who currently has mono, or recently has had the disease, according to the New York State Department of Health.

Many Wartburg students who contracted mono this year said they didn't know they had it at first.

Sophomore Molly O' Connor said she felt "under the weather" for a few weeks. She said she also felt extremely tired and had a stiff neck.

O' Connor was not the only Wartburg student with these symptoms.

Junior Jim Holmes had mono along with thrush (a children's illness) and strep throat. Holmes, whose weakened immune system caused him to catch the virus, said he also was very tired and had a fever and bad headaches, which "wasn't too fun."

Students who have had mono advise others with mono to take it easy, drink lots of fluids, take vitamins and stay away from strenuous activity.

O'Connor suggested another precautionary method.

"Take care of yourself and don't get overstressed," she said.

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Wrestling

Nov. 16	Speith-Anderson Open	Stevens Pt., WI
Nov. 23	Omaha Open	Omaha, NE
Dec. 3	**Luther College Duals**	**Waverly**
Dec. 5	Loras College Dual	Dubuque
Dec. 14	**Dick Walker Invitational**	**Waverly**
Dec. 28-29	Florida Duals	Orlando, FL
Jan. 6	**UW-LaCrosse**	**Waverly**
Jan. 7	**UW-Stevens Pt.**	**Waverly**
Jan. 9	**Augsburg**	**Waverly**
Jan. 18	Division I Duals	Lincoln, NE
Jan. 24	**Ohio Northern University**	**Waverly**
Jan. 25	Iowa Small College Duals	Pella
Feb. 1	Iowa Conference Duals	Storm Lake
Feb. 8	All Lutheran Tournament	Decorah
Feb. 13	Buena Vista College Duals	Storm Lake
Feb. 21	Iowa Conference Tournament	U of Dubuque
Mar. 7-8	NCAA Division III Nationals	Ohio Northern University

Men's Basketball

Nov. 22-23	**Tip-Off Tournament**	**Waverly**
Nov. 29	**South Australia Institute of Sport**	**Waverly**
Dec. 2	Augsburg	Minneapolis
Dec. 12	**Clarke**	**Waverly**
Dec. 20	Cornell	Mt. Vernon
Dec. 28-29	Elmhurst Tournament	Elmhurst, IL
Jan. 4	Mt. St. Clare	Clinton
Jan. 10	**Buena Vista University**	**Waverly**
Jan. 11	**Simpson**	**Waverly**
Jan. 17	Luther	Decorah
Jan. 18	Loras	Dubuque
Jan. 24	University of Dubuque	Dubuque
Jan. 25	Upper Iowa University	Fayette
Jan. 31	**William Penn**	**Waverly**
Feb. 1	**Central**	**Waverly**
Feb. 4	Simpson	Indianola
Feb. 7	**Upper Iowa University**	**Waverly**
Feb. 8	**University of Dubuque**	**Waverly**
Feb. 14	Buena Vista	Storm Lake
Feb. 15	Central	Pella
Feb. 25	**Luther**	**Waverly**
Feb. 28	William Penn	Oskaloosa
Mar. 1	**Loras**	**Waverly**

Women's Basketball

Nov. 24	UW-Stevens Pt.	Waverly
Nov. 26	Winona State University	Winona, MN
Nov. 30	Coe	Cedar Rapids
Dec. 4	UW-Platteville	Waverly
Dec. 7	Viterbo	Waverly
Dec. 14	Grinnell	Grinnell
Jan. 4	DePauw University	Green Castle, IN
Jan. 5	Blackburn	Carlinville, IL
Jan. 10	**Buena Vista**	**Waverly**
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WARTBURG BASKETBALL

Mr. Basketball and the All-American

by Carrie Lawton
Preview Editor

Wartburg's new Head Men's Basketball Coach Marty Simmons has many notches in his basketball belt of experience.

Illinois' 1983 Mr. Basketball. Two-year All-Conference pick at the University of Evansville (UE) in Evansville, Ind. One year in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA). Two years in the World Basketball League (WBL).

Despite being a first-year head coach, Simmons' aim for the Knights is clear.

"I want the program to be a community team and a school team," said Simmons. He said he hopes to bring energy and enthusiasm to the men's basketball program.

Simmons describes his head coach ingposition as a transition.

"There are a lot of adjustments to make," he said. One thing Simmons doesn't need to adjust is his basketball know-how. He began playing in just third grade.

In hometown Lawrenceville, Ill., Simmons was a four-year varsity starter at forward. In those four years of high school, the team posted an overall record of 123-7 and grabbed back-to-back, undefeated state championship titles.

Upon graduation, Simmons moved to the big time — Division I basketball under Bobby Knight at Indiana University.

As a freshman he started 27 games for the Hoosiers, averaging nine points and four rebounds.

Simmons said Knight had a lot of good beliefs about student-athletes and that his players play as a team. These are coaching aspects Simmons now brings to Wartburg.

After his sophomore year at Indiana, Simmons transferred because he wanted more playing time. He followed Knight's assistant coach Jim Crews to UE where he was red-shirted his junior year, then played his last two years of eligibility.

In his last year at UE, Simmons was the sixth leading scorer in the nation, averaging 26 points per game.

After graduating from UE, he was invited to try out with the Indiana Pacers, the Boston Celtics and the Utah Jazz.

The Jazz invited Simmons back and he played the entire exhibition season before being released. But his playing didn't end.

He came back to the Midwest and began playing in the CBA for the LaCrosse Catbirds in Wisconsin. He stayed with the team for a year and then moved to the WBL where he played his final two years for the Illinois Express in Springfield, Ill.

Simmons then coached at UE for six years under Crews before moving to Waverly and his head coaching position.

He said he moved to coaching because of his sincere love for the game.

Coaching, Simmons said, is more than preparing his players for a game, it is preparing them for life.

"Any player who plays for me is like family," he said.

From the years of experience playing the game, Simmons has learned a lot. He said he has tried to take a little from each coach he played for, but said he got the most from coaching under Crews, with whom he continues to keep in touch.

Simmons said his favorite aspect of Wartburg is its uniqueness and "how well everyone gets along with each other."

Simmons takes over for Howard Gauthier, who is now serving as athletic director at Briar Cliff College in Sioux City.

by Liz Erickson
Staff Writer

Though she has more hair and was much younger when she first came to Knights Gymnasium, the comparisions came early.

Women's Head Coach Monica Severson reached 100 wins at Wartburg as quickly as former Head Men's Basketball Coach Buzz Levick (1965-1993) did.

So will the Wartburg women's basketball program follow in the footsteps of its brother program's history? Is Severson the next "Buzz Levick?"

"The comparision with Buzz is a real honor — I think he's one of the finest minds in college basketball," she said.

And Severson has matched Levick's success with more than just a lot of wins.

In the 1988-89 season, Severson's first team set the then school record for season wins with 21. It also made its first-ever NCAA Division III post-season tournament appearance. Levick's teams also hold the records for most season wins and a few national appearances at the NAIA tournament.

"I was fortunate that I came into a situation where they'd not been overly successful," said Severson. "It was a hard working group that was ready for a change ... they were really quality players."

Since then, her teams have won 136 games, brought home the Iowa Conference crown twice and reached the post-season tournament five consecutive times from 1989 to 1993.

She begins this year with a 157-52 career mark as a head coach — a .7512 winning percentage.

Severson should understand success. Her past matches her Wartburg record.

A 1985 graduate of Dakota State College, Severson was a two-time academic All-American and NAIA All-American. Her college team lost only two games in her four-year career.

She spent two years coaching and teaching in Colman, S.D., and was the graduate assistant for the women's basketball team at South Dakota State University in 1987-88. She was 23 when she came to Wartburg.

It should be no surprise Severson has brought Wartburg basketball to the national level as Levick did, though this is not her primary goal.

"It'd sure be nice to win an NCAA Championship," she said, " but I'm not sure that it's our year-in and year-out goal. I enjoy seeing my players be successful in life. They're what I enjoy most."

"Monica said something at the Athletic Banquet last year that made me really proud," said former player Deb Wilkinson, a 1996 graduate. "She said what made her most proud of our senior class is that we'd go out and make a difference in the world."

Severson may only have one more Levick tradition to follow — ending her career at Wartburg.

"Certainly whenever you're successful, people think you're going to move on. My response to the 'Are you going to stay?' question is that I believe you can be successful at any level ... I can see myself staying here forever," Severson said. "I'm very comfortable where I'm at, and my husband is happy here, too."

Becoming another Wartburg basketball legend doesn't bother her, either.

"If the comparision with Buzz comes through, that's fine with me."

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Depth, returners strengthen hopes for title

Head Coach Monica Severson says the Knights' No. 1 goal is the Iowa Conference title.

by Scott Harves
Staff Writer

The Wartburg women's basketball team comes into the 1996-97 campaign with thoughts of an Iowa Conference championship on its mind.

Losing only three seniors, the team returns a strong nucleus of players to vie for the title which eluded them in their third-place IIAC finish a year ago.

"Our No. 1 goal this year is to be conference champions," said Head Coach Monica Severson. "Our second goal is to advance to the Division III national tournament."

The women finished last season with a 17-7 record but were nudged from the national playoffs by an at-large bid from another conference. An 11-5 conference record landed them behind Luther and Buena Vista in the IIAC race.

According to Severson, the non-conference schedule the team plays before the conference season will play a large role in determining the team's chances for a national tournament bid.

"We lost some games early last year and that hurt us," said Severson. "It is very important for us to win early, and we have some good games against the Wisconsin schools."

Senior guard Laurie Wilkinson returns as the leader for the Knights after having a breakthrough season last year. She averaged 11.2 points a game during conference play, while leading the team in assists and steals.

"Our big strength will be our run-and-gun-style offense," said Wilkinson. "We'll also be pressing a lot more because we have people that can really run up and down the floor."

"Laurie is a strong leader and will lead by example on and off the court," said Severson.

Senior forward Dawn Matthias may be the team's wild-card this year. Five times she led the team in rebounding last year and was right behind Wilkinson in steals. Matthias also chipped in offensively, averaging five points per game.

Matthias, Holly Wulkow, Jennie Zarn and Pam Stamper join Wilkinson in their last seasons and hope to add depth and scoring to an offense that lost some punch.

The key losses from last year's squad are Nancy Krapfl and Patti Brooks. The frontcourt/backcourt duo combined to average close to 29 points a game. The team will need to find offense elsewhere, and a new face may be the answer.

The team also loses Deb Wilkinson at the power forward position, who provided great leadership along with solid rebounding.

Junior transfer Mary Jo Vrba joins the team after playing at North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC), where she was voted the Outstanding Female Athlete. Vrba's presence up front may help make up for Krapfl's and Deb Wilkinson's absence.

"Mary is a very hard-working athlete," said Severson. "She is still in the learning stages of our offenses and defenses, but she has great ability. She may be one of our leading scorers and leading rebounders this season."

Perhaps the most intriguing story coming into the season is the return of sophomore guards Jill Baethke and Emily Bailey, who look to come back after suffering season-ending knee injuries a year ago.

> ***"Our team is so deep that most of the girls will get a chance to play."***
>
> —Monica Severson
> Head Coach

Both players have spent the off-season rehabilitating after reconstructive surgeries last winter.

"It's going pretty good right now," said Baethke. "I don't think there's anything my knee can't handle right now."

Baethke averaged 9.4 points per game last year before tearing a knee ligament in the eighth game of the season over Christmas Break in Colorado.

Bailey started all 10 games she played in, averaging 6.5 points per contest and an amazing 3.1 steals per game. Bailey tore her knee ligament during the second conference game of the season vs. Dubuque.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

SENIOR STRENGTH—Jennie Zarn moves to block Holly Wulkow from scoring at a recent practice in Knights Gymnasium. Both seniors are part of a strong nucleus returning to the women's basketball program. Head Coach Monica Severson said Wartburg has great depth this season.

"Both players are doing very well right now," said Severson.

Baethke looks to fill Brooks' shoes at the shooting guard position, while Bailey looks to get back the point guard position she lost a year ago. The two will combine with Laurie Wilkinson, Stamper, and freshman newcomer Jessica Sandvold to give the Knights a deep backcourt.

"All five of our guards will play a lot this year," said Wilkinson. "Emily (Bailey) and I are very interchangable at the one position, so I don't think we'll lose anything when one of us isn't in the game."

Up front, sophomores Jennifer Nettleton and Kayah-Bah Phillmann put the volleyballs away and will see time at the center position, along with freshman Carrie Hansen.

"We have four very strong forwards right now that will really help pick up the scoring slack," said Wilkinson.

Matthias and Vrba will battle for time at the power forward position, while Wulkow, Zarn, and sophomores Elly Michels and Kristy Loy will work for time at small forward.

Zarn and Wulkow split time last year starting at small forward while Michels saw considerable amounts of playing time in the second half of the season.

Severson looks for Nettleton, Vrba, and either Michels or Wulkow to be the starting frontcourt while Bailey, Wilkinson, and Baethke will see most of the playing time in the backcourt.

"I think we're all doing really well as a team right now," said Baethke. "We're going to be a very quick team this year."

"Our team is so deep that most of the girls will get a chance to play," said Severson.

With a healthy team at the beginning of last year, Severson commonly played at least 10 players in each of the team's games.

"With ten players coming back, we should have a good shot at the conference title," said Wilkinson.

The team opens its season on Nov. 24, when it plays host to University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in Knights Gymnasium at 1 p.m. UW-Stevens Point will come into the game battle-tested. They take on Upper Iowa the night before.

"This will be a very physical game and a good test for our team," said Severson. "We are very capable of winning against all of our non-conference opponents, but there will be some tough games."

Women's Basketball

Carrie Hansen
Laurie Wilkinson
Jessica Sandvold
Emily Bailey
Jill Baethke
Elly Michels
Pam Stamper
Kayah-Bah Phillmann
Dawn Matthias
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WRESTLING

A preseason look at Wartburg athletics

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Protecting

The Knights' wrestling season begins with returning All-Americans, consecutive conference titles and a national crown. Coach Jim Miller says Wartburg can't get too comfortable.

by Suzanne Behnke
Preview Editor

After last season's NCAA Division III Championship, most would think the Wartburg wrestling team could take it easy in the 1996-97 season.

Head Coach Jim Miller said he doesn't think so.

"We have a tough road to hold," said Miller. "Potentially, this is the best we've had at Wartburg ever. We'll have to see how it pans out."

The team has a lot at stake, namely the championship, but also its four conference titles.

"We've kind of run away with the last three years. Four in a row. Right now, we want to improve on that string," said Miller.

Miller said Loras, Buena Vista and Simpson should hold the IIAC ranks with Wartburg.

The 1996-97 roster holds more than 40 names, including returning senior national champion Tom Smith at 126 and other All-Americans Mike Alesch, Dusty Rhodes and Blake Williams.

But there are some people who need to step up with the veterans, said Miller.

"That's a good base," he said, "but not enough to win it."

The Knights lost All-Americans Chad Gerbracht at 177 and 142-pounder Jamal Fox. Fox held three All-American titles.

Jim Miller, Wartburg Wrestling Coach

"Potentially, this is the best we've had at Wartburg ever."

Alesch, a junior, comes back in the 167 weight class. He missed the championship match at nationals by a takedown in sudden death overtime.

Rhodes, a senior at 134, finished sixth at the national meet last season.

In the 190 division, senior Williams grabbed fifth-place national honors.

Miller said experience returns at all other weight classes, but nothing is certain at this point.

Senior Preston Essex, also a national qualifier, sits at the 118 division. Other seniors are Greg Halsor and Kevin Miller.

Besides these returners, freshmen make up half the team, along with eight juniors and six sophomores.

From this entire lot, Miller said, the holes will be filled.

"We were in a fairly similar situation last year," he said. "I don't know who those guys are going to be."

Last year's team came through.

For Miller, winning the national title fulfilled a goal that the team approached in 1993 and 1994, with the Knights finishing as runners-up. He doesn't want to think a title repeat will be easy.

"If you start to think that way, it's not going to happen again. For me, I have to stay motivated."

Wartburg opens conference competition against Luther at home on Dec. 3.

The Knights were the only Division III team in the nation to be invited to the Division I Duals this year. They will face competition from the likes of Iowa and Oklahoma State.

"We 're jumping in a bit over our heads," Miller said.

Another season high will b first week of January when War faces the University of Wisc LaCrosse, University of Wisc Stevens Point and Augsburg. I season, the teams are nati ranked fourth, fifth and se respectively.

The Augsburg dual will be b cast on IPTV, as it was in 1994

The squad began compe this weekend at UW-Steven's

Through the 1995-96 weight classes

118
Preston Essex brought home a conference title.

126
National champion Tom Smith returns in this division after trying out for the Olympics last spring.

134
Dusty Rhodes took sixth at nationals, first at conference and was the IIAC tourney's Most Valuable Player.

142
Jamal Fox, who use bility, won three IIA and was also a natio pion. The spot is op season.

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Michael Rupe
Jacob Schmitt
Kelly Seery
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Colby Yoder

Photo by Nathan Friesen

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT—Wartburg wrestlers keep the intensity at a recent practice in the P.E. Complex. The Knights open the season as defending Division III national champs.

Starting the trend

Coach Jim Miller begins his sixth year as the Knights' head coach this season. Here are a few of his accomplishments since he began:

- Division III Rookie Coach of the Year in 1992.
- Division III Coach of the Year in 1993 and 1996.
- IIAC Coach of the Year in 1993 and 1995.
- Inducted into the Waterloo East High School Hall of Fame.
- Teams have earned a NCAA Division III National Championship title after coming in as runners-up in 1993 and 1994.
- Teams have four-peated as Iowa Conference champions.

150
Brian Roberts took second in the conference.

158
Greg Halsor took the conference crown in this weight class.

167
Mike Alesch became an IIAC champ and an All-American in 1995-96.

177
Chad Gerbracht, who has graduated, took second in the conference. The spot is now open.

190
Blake Williams took second in the conference and also All-American honors at the national tourney.

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Matt Powelka finished fifth at conference. An injury interrupted last season for him.

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Men's basketball: back in the fight

by Gage Butterbrodt
Staff Writer

With a new motion offense and increased concentration on strength conditioning, first-year Head Men's Basketball Coach Marty Simmons will attempt to lead the men's team back on track in the Iowa Conference.

He inherits a squad coming off a 10-15 season, with a 4-12 record in conference play.

"It excites me," said Simmons, looking at the decorated rafters of Knights Gymnasium. "I understand the hard work and commitment that goes into getting one of those banners. I'm honored to be in a program with such a great tradition. If it's been done before, I know it can be done again."

Wartburg returns eight letterwinners, including top senior Travis Montgomery. Montgomery returns as the Knights' leader in points scored (192), steals (15), assists (29), and three-point field goal percentage (39.4).

Other letterwinners include seniors Cam Schuknecht, Bryan Myers, Marcus Williams and Antonio Hitchcock; juniors Chad Sheetz and Todd Nelson, and sophomores B.J. Supple and Kevin Archer.

Graduation robbed the Knights of their top two scorers, Matt Freesemann and Eric Foote, along with floor general Lucas DeWitt.

"I understand the hard work and commitment that goes into getting one of those banners."

—Marty Simmons
Head Coach

Senior Rich Kloster returns to the lineup this year after suffering an anterior cruciate ligament tear in his knee four games into last season. Kloster still managed to average 18.2 points per outing.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

TAKING IT TO THE HOOP—Rich Kloster tries one last time to block Bryan Myers' shot attempt in a recent practice. The Knights will try their hand in a scrimmage against UW-Plattville tomorrow in Knights Gymnasium.

"Everyone is excited about his (Simmons') ideas and what he wants to bring to the team," Kloster said.

Simmons said he has yet to decide on a starting lineup. He said it is a bit too early to set anything in stone, and opts not to put unneccesary pressure on those players who will be filling those roles.

"Right now we're just feeling each other out," he said. "We have to become a team to be successful. We need to play together as one unit on offense and defense and communicate."

According to Simmons, Simpson College is the team the Knights will be chasing for bragging rights in the conference. This year's Simpson squad, which returns four starters, is favored to win the Iowa Conference.

"When Travis, Cam and myself came in as freshmen, we decided that we wanted to win a conference championship by our senior year," said Kloster. "We don't want to go out the same way that we have in years past."

While players and coaches have their sights set on a conference title, Simmons said he just wants his team to improve daily.

"If we do that, we'll let everything else take care of itself. We're just going to try and be the best basketball team we can be," he said.

The Wartburg men begin action this weekend in the Tip-Off Tournament in Knights Gymnasium. Play begins at 6 p.m. Friday, and continues through Saturday. The four-team field includes Rockford, Grand View and St. Scholastica.

Off the Court

"He (Simmons) defines the role of the athlete and brings out the best in individual strengths. He lets each player know their role on the team."

—Bryan Meyers

"We want to play hard week in and week out, and everything else will fall into place."

—Cam Schuknecht

"The main thing this year is to create team unity and have fun. We want to make it a memorable year for everyone."

—Travis Montgomery

"It's the little things and fundamentals that are going to help us to win. Coach Simmons has been really intense about that."

—Antonio Hitchcock

Men's Basketball Roster

Travis Montgomery	Bryan Myers
Chad Sheetz	Antonio Hitchcock
B.J. Supple	Marcus Williams
Erik Book	Rich Kloster
Derik Van Baale	Todd Nelson
Kendall Walker	Matt Wheeler
Cameron Schuknecht	Kevin Archer
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Knights show Luther what football is

by Greg Berry
Staff Writer

On Saturday, the Luther Norse were looking to avenge the air attack they suffered on Oct. 24 from the much-publicized dropping of cross country brochures.

Unlike several weeks ago, Wartburg decided to focus its attack on the ground, compiling 504 rushing yards in a 41-14 victory against the rival Norse.

Running back Trevor Shannon scored four times on the day, from 40 yards, 1 yard, 1 yard and 25 yards.

"It's [running] a natural ability," tight end coach and former Knight 1,000-yard rusher Darren Bohlen said. "There is more to running a football than running straight ahead with your head down."

Halfway through the Knights' next drive, Trevor Shannon reached 1,000 career rushing yards in conference play before tallying 1,100 for the conference season. Trevor Shannon's 1,389 rushing yards is the third-highest in school history, and he is only the fourth Knight to rush for 1,000 yards in any season.

The second touchdown by Trevor Shannon set a team record for the most points in a season, breaking Mike Ward's 14-year mark of 120. Trevor Shannon ended the year with 142 points scored.

After the Norse put together a long drive in which they scored their six, Trevor Shannon took the ensuing kickoff from inside his own endzone, racing 100 yards into the opposite endzone. The run made the score 21-6. The 100-yard kickoff return by Trevor Shannon broke a team and Iowa Conference record of 99 yards. Former Knight Dennis Washington initially tied the 30-year record in 1981 against Luther.

With only two minutes to play in the first half, quarterback Brian Nelson engineered one last scoring drive on a 15-yard touchdown pass to Derek Hartl.

Trevor Shannon tied the team record for the most rushing touchdowns in a game with four. The record duplicated several Knights including senior running back Chad Briggs' effort in 1993, and Trevor Shannon's own performance this season against Loras College.

Coach Steve Hagen finished his rookie season with a 7-3 overall record while compiling a 5-3 conference record.

Hagen accomplished several of his goals in his first season as coach.

"We wanted to establish that we are a good, sound running team," Hagen said.

The Knights came close to breaking their team running record set in 1994, totaling 2,826 yards this year, just 11 yards short of the record.

Photo by Nathan Friesen

BARRELING FORWARD—Quarterback Brian Nelson drags two Norse defenders with him on his way to positive yardage Saturday, as seniors Chris Shannon (left) and Chris Reed move in to help. Nelson, a senior, ran for 169 yards and threw for 146 more and a touchdown in his final game.

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31-135	Rushes-yards	67-508
95	Passing yards	146
14-32-2	Passing	11-26-2
206	Total Offense	650
4-1	Fumbles-lost	1-0
2-10	Penalties-yards	12-80
21:21	Time of Possession	38:39

Scoring by quarters

Luther	6	8	0	0	—14
Wartburg	21	7	13	0	—41

Scoring Summary

W—Trevor Shannon 40 run (Scott Milburn kick)
W—T. Shannon 1 run (Milburn kick)
L—J. Rohlwing 3 run (B. Steinbach kick failed)
W—T. Shannon 100 kickoff return (Milburn kick)
L—C. Kounty 14 pass from M. Brei (C. Anderson pass)
W—Derek Hartl 15 pass from Brian Nelson (Milburn kick)
W—T. Shannon 1 run (kick failed)
W—T. Shannon 25 run (Milburn kick)

Individual statistics

RUSHING: T. Shannon 33-208, Nelson 15-169
PASSING: Nelson 11-26-2-146
RECEIVING: C. Shannon 5-84, Hartl 5-52

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Rumbling Rugby

by Chad Gade
Staff Writer

There is a group of students at Wartburg College who have a love for sports and for being athletically involved.

They like to compete.

They like to win.

Yet you won't find them in the usual orange and black that Wartburg athletes have been known to don during competition.

Thirteen Wartburg students participate on the local rugby team, the Bremer County Bucks Rugby Football Club.

"The camaraderie on the team makes the game really enjoyable," said sophomore Aaron Loan, who is out due to a broken arm.

Freshman Jeremey Zaruba, sophomores Dave Melchert, Loan, Nathan Chester, Don Foltz and Todd Donald, juniors Craig Ford, Sean O'Neil, Mark Robertson, and seniors Andrew Schult, Tom Buhr, Chad Briggs and Justin Miller all play for the Bucks.

The rest of the team consists of five to 10 players from the surrounding community.

Bucks Rugby was established more than 20 years ago. It was orignally offered by Wartburg, but the former players' rowdy acts, along with interest from community members, led the college to drop its support.

The spring season, one of three played during the year, is most important, according to the players. They play 14 regular season games and then compete in the All-Iowa Tournament.

In the summer the competition heats up in region-wide tournament play.

These games are sprint play rugby, and are played with seven players on the field, rather than the regular 11.

"You have to be in exceptional shape to play sprint rugby," said Ford.

Many people are unfamiliar with the game of rugby, which is similiar to American football.

In rugby, when the ball is touched on the ground in the opponent's goal, the team receives five points and an extra point kick worth two more.

There are other ways in which teams can score.

Any time during the game a player can drop-kick the ball through the uprights for three points. A free-kick or penalty kick is also worth three points.

The *Trumpet*'s Athlete of the Week

Photo by Nathan Friesen

STALKING HIS PREY—Senior linebacker Lance Thompson surveys the scene during Saturday's 41-14 victory against Luther at home.

Thompson ends stellar career

by The Sports Staff

Despite living but a stone's throw away from Luther's campus in high school, you would think the Norse coaching staff would have taken notice of Lance Thompson as a prep.

It's a good bet that Thompson grabbed their attention this year.

A senior linebacker and virtual constant on defense, Thompson closed out the season in style on Saturday, tying for a team-high 10 tackles in addition to a second quarter interception.

For his performance against Luther, as well as throughout the course of the season, Thompson is named this week's *Trumpet* Athlete of the Week.

Wrestler gets scare from injury

by Mike Dart
Staff Writer

Duane Amos, the Wartburg wrestler who was hospitalized Nov. 10 following an injury, is doing fine after a brief scare.

Amos was working out with a teammate when he lost the feeling in his legs. The athletic trainers rushed over to help him, and he was airlifted to Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo.

He was diagnosed with a slipped neck vertabrae that put pressure on his spinal column, causing his legs to lose feeling.

"He was practicing on the mat when he had this freak accident," said Head Coach Jim Miller. Miller had seen this happen before, but not this severe.

It was possible for Amos to receive surgery on his neck the next day if he was not better.

However the swelling went down and he regained feeling in his legs the next day. He was then released on Tuesday.

"I thought the athletic trainers did a great job," said Miller. "They did everything right and were very prompt in doing so."

Miller said Amos should be back to normal soon. He will be out for at least two weeks.

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Editorial

End mythical 'free' calls

If you like laughing at the expense of others, consider spending some extra time by the mailboxes in the Student Union this week.

You may need some humor after swiping your own Student Telephone Service (STS) bill out of your own mailbox.

Your parents haven't been paying it; you haven't been paying for it; Wartburg certainly hasn't been picking up the tab — prepare all ye phone callers of distant lands.

The Iowa Communications Network (ICN), our service provider that sub-contracts STS as a billing service, is aiming at a monopoly of the Iowa college market, according to Lex Smith, dean of students. Judging from the poor billing procedure, its owners have bitten off more business than they can chew.

If rates are similar and Wartburg has other options, it should end its contract with companies that allow bills to pile up this long.

Letter

Conversation leads way to better understanding

During my freshman and sophomore years on Student Senate, I served on the Political Action Committee (PAC). One of the duties of that committee is to help the campus talk about sexism, racism and other issues which tend to divide our community. I feel that I have failed to live up to the expectations of campus in that area. You see, Senate is very good at addressing direct student concerns. We can bring security phones and an ATM machine to campus, or give input to the administration regarding Old Grossmann because there is a set procedure of unwritten rules that is easy to follow. The above issues do not fit into this category.

So today, as the leader of Senate, I still try to accomplish the same things that I tried to on PAC but how? We can put together Hot Topics forums. But few come. Even if we do have a good conversation, where do we go from there? We forget about these issues the next day.

It bothers me when a residence hall director or a *Trumpet* columnist, for example, gets personally attacked for doing their job or saying what they feel is right. Shouldn't a college community be able to talk without resorting to personal attacks? I have come to the conclusion that it would be arrogant of me to believe that I can solve all problems on campus just by addressing them in Senate. What we can do, however, is try to keep conversation going within our community. After talking with this year's chair of PAC, the Senate Executive Committee and Don Juhl in food service, we have proposed the following:

Every Tuesday and Friday during lunch in the cafeteria, Senate will sponsor a "conversation table" to talk about community issues. I would invite all Wartburg students, faculty and staff to sit and talk to each other while they have their mid-day meals. There are no "resident experts" or official rules, only respect of each other. The tables will have table cloths and large table tents. This week's topic to loosely tie together conversation will be, "Are there issues on this campus that are just not dealt with enough?"

Will this solve campus problems? Probably not. But why not try? The only way to do that is through continous community discussion. Remember, this is your community.

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Column

'Don't tease the bull,' animals need peace

Dan Wardell

A Whole Lot of Spankin's

Run for your lives, birds and beasts of the forest! Dogs are barking, ammo is being sold and human versions of Elmer Fudd are trekking through the woods just waiting to shoot the first thing that moves. Hunting season is in full swing.

Killing creatures, no matter how great or small, has always been something I couldn't bring myself to do. I'm not sure where this respect for animals came from, but I have a guess ...

When growing up on a farm like I did, there are many rules parents set for you to keep you safe. This particular story is about breaking one simple rule: "Don't tease the bull."

First of all, for clarification, bulls are not exactly the way they're portrayed in cartoons. They're not 10 feet tall, and they don't have razor-sharp horns. However, they are temperamental, and a dangerous force to reckon with.

It was a late summer's day, and my parents had just left for the afternoon, leaving my brother and me alone.

Alone. Without a babysitter.

It didn't take us long to decide we should go pay the bull a visit, so we ventured into the cow yard. Unfortunately, he was on the opposite side of his pen with the other cattle. We would have to lure him closer. Then we could have some fun.

But first we needed bait, and within minutes we were standing at the fence with a pail of apples. We tossed a few into the pen, and slowly, the herd of cattle and the bull migrated toward us. When they gathered close, my brother had an ingenious idea.

"Let's WHIP apples at the bull!" he exclaimed.

Not being one who has second thoughts about anything, I agreed, and a barrage of apples filled the air.

The next half hour went like this.

The bull would get bombarded and naturally, run away. Then, slowly, watching the other cows eat the delicious apples, he would make his way back ... Only to get pelted again, obviously making the bull frustrated and irate.

As all my stories end, luck was pushed too far. We ran out of apples, and so we moved on to the next best thing — rocks. Fortunately for the animal, though, only one rock was thrown.

One baseball-sized rock which made direct contact on his hairy noggin'.

With that, the bull had reached its boiling point.

Snorting and kicking dirt, he began to charge like a locomotive. For about a 30th of a second, my brother and I turned toward each other and saw raw panic in each other's eyes. Then we fled to the house just before a crashing sound filled the air behind us.

It was the sound of a fence coming down.

All we could do then was watch from the house as cattle started to file out through the broken fence.

We were going to be in deep, deep trouble. The fence was broken, the cows were out and we were gonna get spanked.

That day I learned to respect God's creatures and the importance of letting them live in peace.

They have feelings just like you and me. They can be angry, they can be happy.

And remember, hunters, they can be sad.

Column

United Nations should lead

Izumi Yamashita

Our World

Easy to say, but hard to make an action. Those words exactly represent my feelings today toward the United Nations.

I recently had an opportunity to listen to Dr. Bret Billet (associate professor of political science) speak about human rights issues. It was in preparation for Model United Nations on Nov. 21, which will focus on children's rights (particularly children's labor).

This presentation provided background knowledge of human rights issues. However, it made me think about the United Nations as a whole.

A statement for the Model UN debate, to be sponsored by the International Club, is: Children under 17 years old should not be allowed to work over 20 hours per week. The real UN has a convention for children's rights including a similar statement. Many countries, even developing countries, which have a great number of children working, signed for this convention.

I wonder how many countries have kept this agreement? No matter what the United Nations decides, many children in the world are still non-educated and abused. The problem is the United Nations doesn't have any enforcement for this agreement, according to Billet.

Like children's rights, the decision of prohibition against experimenting with nuclear weapons hasn't stopped nuclear experiments, yet. So, what's the deal of having the UN today? Is it as worthy as it was supposed to be?

Well, I don't think the UN is meaningless, rather committees such as UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) and UNICEF (United Nations Children Fund) have done great jobs so far. However, in the process of decision making at the United Nations, people seem to talk about impractical propositions.

Probably one reason that makes the UN impractical is the UN decision is dependent on developed-country perspectives (or maybe Western perspectives) all the time.

If the UN's policy conflicts with the United States, which contributes a huge amount of donation a year, can the UN completely neglect its opinion? If the United States industry gains much interest by having business and hiring cheap labors like children in developing countries, is the U.S. able to be against it?

It is always sad to say, but true: the first priority to make decisions is whether or not they are beneficial for nations.

In the future, could the UN be a leader to persuade common goods in the world?

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Acoustic duo strikes sweet chord

by Stephanie Robbins
Features Editor

It's taken sore fingers and broken hearts to get this far.

From playing together at camp to making a compact disc of their original music, seniors Matt Hibbard and Charlie Rod have created a niche for their music at Wartburg and beyond. The duo has performed their folk-style music in concerts and Wartburg coffeehouses, and plans to play out of state before graduation.

The friendship and the music started in the summer of 1993. Rod and Hibbard were both counselors at EWALU, a Lutheran camp in northeastern Iowa. "Matt was the most popular guy at camp; I thought he was neat, and I hoped he thought I was kind of cool," said Rod.

Hibbard has been hitting the strings for only a couple of years. "Well, it was my second year of camp, and I just started to learn to play, and I would play a little at campfires. Charlie was mean to me because I couldn't play guitar, so I learned how because I wanted him to like me," Hibbard said.

The following fall, Hibbard transferred from Iowa State to Wartburg. "I practiced all the time," he said, "because I didn't have a life. I just sat in my room and played."

On the other hand, Rod is no stranger to the fretboard. "I've been playing for 10 years," he said. "Folk-tunes, with the typical guitar and vocals that go with the style" is how Rod described their genre.

Although their CD, "Whisper of Wind," produced last May, contains only Hibbard's and Rod's original songs, their live performances consist of pieces borrowed from other folk artists. Chris and Johnny, John Denver, John Prine and Peter, Paul and Mary all have works which Hibbard and Rod think really fit with their own style.

Creating a song can take months, according to Rod. But some, like Rod's satire piece on country music, don't take long at all. "For the song 'Singin' Yup,' I kind of made it up as I went through it the first time," he said.

The two independent musicians have written about 15 songs so far, according to Rod. Hibbard said, "There are love songs, but only a couple are about unrequited love." The two have used past relationshlps as subjects for some of their songs. Another composition, "To Have and Hold," was written by Hibbard to be performed at his older sister's wedding last year.

Though the majority of their work deals with the emotions of love, a couple songs are on a lighter and even funny plane. Take, for instance, the piece that occupies the 'hidden track' on "Whisper of Wind": "The Toilet Tissue Guy," which one must listen to in order to comprehend.

While last May's CD has sold out, plans are in the making for production of another one. A few songs from "Whisper of Wind" will be included on the new CD, but new compositions will probably dominate the upcoming disc.

Photo by Jaime Spratt

IN THE MOOD FOR A MELODY—Last Thursday night in the Chapel, Charlie Rod (left) and Matt Hibbard performed folk-style music they composed. Their singing and guitar talent are the signature elements of their style.

Recent live performances have really started to put Hibbard and Rod on the map. Earlier this month they played at Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque, "and they have asked us to come back sometime," said Rod. Last Thursday, the two held a concert in the Wartburg Chapel, filling nearly an hour and a half with music complimented by their guitar skill.

Some opportunities are even opening up out of the state. "We've got some possiblities for playing at coffeehouses and stuff in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Indiana," said Rod.

But so far, it seems the two are paying their dues to an industry they hope will treat them well someday in the future. "I don't see us dropping everything to go on the road, unless a recording label wants us and will make us wealthy," said Rod. Hibbard added, "I'd be OK with that."

To place an order for a CD, or to receive more information, please send e-mail to rodc or hibbardm@wartburg.edu

'Talking' with the Players

Review

by Matt Hibbard
Staff Writer

The Wartburg Players presented a series of powerful performances in their production of Jane Martin's "Talking With ..."

The play, directed by Richard Glockner, professor of drama at the University of Northern Iowa, was a series of monologues featuring various female characters. They related their experiences with men, themselves and the world in the play.

Monologues presented ranged from a serious, somber portrayal of a battered wife who killed her husband to some humorous, lighthearted scenes.

One such scene was when a young woman, portrayed by sophomore Sonja Anderson, was looking after children in a park. Beneath the humor, was a sense of struggle of a young, single mother trying to get by.

Other scenes featured women struggling with their identities or places in life.

Senior Rachel Hirsch dressed in patchwork to represent confusion that she dealt with in her mind.

Most sketches conveyed not only a message of women's struggles, but of anyone's struggles.

Several monologues addressed universal issues such as death, grief, family, commercialization, lack of identity and simple fear, of the both known and the unknown.

The entire cast demonstrated they can tackle serious roles. The messages were varied, and sometimes vague, but Glockner and the cast were usually able to effectively convey the message.

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